WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1 1. A method comprising:

2 obtaining a program identifier from a program database, wherein the program identifier is

3 associated with a particular program;

4 accessing program content information associated with the program identifier from an

5 information database; and

6 providing at least a portion of the program content information to a user.

1 2. The method as in Claim 1, further including the steps of:

2 receiving a time and a channel associated with the particular program; and

3 providing the time and the channel to the program database.

1 3. The method as in Claim 2, wherein the channel is accessed from a tuner.

1 4. The method as in Claim 2, wherein the channel is specified by the user.

1 5. The method as in Claim 1, wherein the program database includes an Internet database.

1 6. The method as in Claim 1, wherein the information database is accessible through the

2 Internet.

1 7. The method as in Claim 1, wherein the information database includes an Internet search

2 engine.

1 8. The method as in Claim 1, wherein the particular program is a multimedia program.

1   9.   The method as in Claim 8, wherein the multimedia program is a television program, a

2   current program, or a future program.

1   10.   The method as in Claim 1, wherein the particular program is an audio program.

1   11.   The method as in Claim 1, wherein the particular program is selected by the user.

1   12.   The method as in Claim 1, wherein the at least a portion of the program content

2   information is a brief description of the particular program.

     13.   The method as in Claim 11, wherein the brief description includes an actor listing.

     14.   The method as in Claim 1, wherein the at least a portion of the program content

     2   information is a detailed description of the particular program.

     15.   The method as in Claim 1, wherein the program identifier is a program title.

1   16.   The method as in Claim 1, wherein providing the at least a portion of the program content

2   information includes displaying the representation of the program content information on

3   a display device.

1   17.   The method as in Claim 1, further including the step of providing an advertisement

2   associated with the information database to the user.

1   18.   A system comprising:

2   a network interface to access:

3   an information database to provide program content information associated with a

4   program identifier, wherein the program identifier is associated with a

5   particular program and provided from a program database;

6   a description generator to:

7   obtain said program identifier from said program database;

8   access said program content information from said information database through

9   said network interface;

10   present said program content information to a display device; and

11   said display to provide said program content information.

19.   The system as in Claim 18, wherein said program database is accessed through said network interface.

20.   The system as in Claim 18, further including a control interface to receive a request to present said program content information related to said particular program.

21.   The system as in Claim 20, wherein said request includes a time and a channel associated with said particular program.

1   22.   The system as in Claim 21, wherein said time and said channel are provided to said

2   program database.

1   23.   The system as in Claim 18, wherein said particular program is presented on said display.

1   24.   The system as in Claim 18, further including a tuner to decode said particular program.

1   25.   The system as in Claim 18, wherein said particular program is a multimedia program.

1   26.   The system as in Claim 18, wherein said program content information includes a brief

2   description of said particular program.

1   27.   The system as in Claim 18, wherein said program content information includes a detailed

2   description of said particular program.

1   28.   The system as in Claim 18, wherein said program identifier includes a program title

2   associated with said particular program.

1   29.   The system as in Claim 18, wherein said information database includes an Internet

2   website.

1   30.   The system as in Claim 18, wherein said information database includes an Internet search

2   engine.

1   31.   The system as in Claim 18, further used to provide an advertisement associated with the

2   information database.

1   32.   A computer readable medium tangibly embodying a program of instructions, said

2   program of instructions comprising instructions to:

3   obtain a program identifier from a program database, wherein the program identifier is

4   associated with a particular program;

5   access program content information associated with the program identifier from an

6   information database; and

7   provide at least a portion of the program content information to a user.

1   33.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 32, said program of instructions further used

2   to:

3   receive a time and a channel associated with the particular program; and

4   provide the time and the channel to the program database.

1   34.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 33 wherein the channel is accessed from a

2   tuner.

1   35.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 33, wherein the channel is specified by the

2   user.

1   36.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 32, wherein the program database includes

2   an Internet database.

1   37.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 32, wherein the information database is

2   accessible through the Internet.

1   38.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 32, wherein the information database

2   includes an Internet search engine.

1   39.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 32, wherein the particular program is a

2   multimedia program.

1   40.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 32, wherein the at least a portion of the

2   program content information is a brief description of the program content information.

1   41.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 40, wherein the brief description includes an

2   actor listing.

1   42.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 32, wherein the at least a portion of the

2   program content information is a detailed description of the program content information.

1   43.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 32, wherein the program identifier is a

2   program title.

1   44.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 32, wherein providing the at least a portion

2   of the program content information includes displaying the representation of the program

3   content information on a display device.

1   45.   The computer readable medium as in Claim 32, wherein said program of instructions

2   further comprising instructions to present an advertisement associated with the

3   information database to the user.